

Eriko's List of Local Happenings

Wednesday, 5 October 2016

Please watch my video show as well:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-ZGtHlgAchrEdiH4bwKaPw>

Huis Ten Bosch events: **Challenging the World Record, "Where's Wally?" Get-together** is held on Sunday, 9 October. If over 3,872 or more people in the Wally's costumes get together at Huis Ten Bosch, it will break the world record. The popular **Beer and Wine Festivals** have been held until Sunday, 6 November. They are annual events that are very popular among people. The **Cheese Fair** has been held until Sunday, 13 November. Plus the **Recreated Rembrandt Art Exhibition** has started October 1 and held until Monday, 5 December. According to the Wikipedia, Rembrandt was a Dutch painter who painted a lot of people's portraits in Dutch Golden Age. All 349 artworks of his are restored thanks to the computer technology and are exhibited at the Palace Huis Ten Bosch Art Museum. I must go and see them!

The Antique Bazaar is held on both Wednesday and Thursday. And **Sasebo Jazz** Concert is held this weekend. Don't forget the **Mikawachi Chinaware Festival**, too.

Also Senryu Sake Factory has the **open-barrel festival** on both Saturday and Sunday. In Nagasaki city **Nagasaki Okunchi Festival** is held this weekend. What a busy weekend!

Spotlights on Events You Don't Want to Miss!

The 14th Antique and Handcraft Bazaar in Sasebo

Wednesday, 5 October 0800-1800

Thursday, 6 October 0800-1600

Shimanose Park next to the Starbucks Café

Google map coordinates: 33.172395, 129.720682

The Shimabara Kiriko Lanterns will be lit up beautifully between 1800 and 2000. Call Nagahama-san in Japanese at 090-3608-2955 for more information.

The 61st Mikawachi Chinaware Festival

Thursday, 6 to Monday, 10 October 0900-1700

Mikawachi-yaki Dentou-Sangyou (Heritage and Industry) Hall

Google map coordinates: 33.153693, 129.829411

Follow the people, and you can get to the site on Route 35. You can expect the street will be backed up due to the festival. Please be careful. Call the hall in Japanese at 0956-30-8311 for more information.

Shimanose Art Center Exhibition

The followings exhibitions are held at the Shimanose Art Center. Unless it's mentioned, the admission of the exhibition is free of charge.

Address: 6-22 Shimanose-cho Sasebo, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-0806

Google map coordinates: 33.172705, 129.720686

Phone #: 0956-22-7213

Ken-ten (Nagasaki Prefecture Art Exhibition)

Thursday, 6 to Sunday, 16 October

About 250 artworks by the local painters are exhibited.

Admission: Y250 (ticket at the counter), Y200 (advance ticket)

Call Ken-ten Committee Office in Japanese at 095-825-6058 for more information.

Old Stone Age “Caves and Vestiges in Nishi-Kyushu” Exhibition

Until Sunday, 13 November

Do you know how many old caves of the Stone Age in Sasebo city? 31! Especially Fukui Doketsu (Cave) was estimated to have used from 19,000 years to 10,000 years ago. I went to see it. It was great if you are interested in the local history!

Lunch Time Concert

Thursday, 6 October

1130

Arkas Sasebo Convention Center

Google map coordinates: 33.165973, 129.724255

Admission: Y700

The title of the lunch time concert is “Trumpet Exposition.” Different kinds of trumpets will be played. If you like classical music, this concert is for you. Please call the convention center in Japanese at 0956-42-1111 for more information.

Huis Ten Bosch Events

Google map coordinates: 33.086328, 129.78720

Challenge the World Record “Where’s Wally?” Get-together

Sunday, 9 October

1200-1620

Rotterdam Park in Huis Ten Bosch

This is the second challenge for Huis Ten Bosch to host the Wally get together. The world record, “3,872 Wallys” was made in Dublin, Ireland in 2011. If you like to contribute this campaign, please visit the website: www.huistenbosch.co.jp

The admission ticket with the Wally costume is available. Try it out!

DJ Halloween Nights

Saturday, 8 October

1830-2100

Sunday, 9 October

1830-2100

Saturday, 15 October

1830-2100

Sunday, 16 October

1830-2100

Saturday, 29 October

1830-2100

3D Illumination Street, Attraction Town

DJ will create spooky music and sounds while you are enjoying the pumpkin bouncy, bouncy and ball pools over the colorful illuminations.

Trick or Treat Rally

Sunday, 16 October

Sunday, 23 October

Fee: Y800

Get a treat bag and visit the stores that have signs, and you can get Halloween candy!

Halloween Costume Contest

Sunday, 30 October

World Garden Exhibition

Until Thursday, 3 November

World Flower Garden Competition

Saturday, 15 October to Thursday, 3 November

October Fest Beer Festival

Until Sunday, 6 November

- 1) Tornado Dispensed Asahi Super Dry All-you-can-drink beer tasting for 60 minutes Y2,000
- 2) Beer in Ice Glass Y1,200
Refill Y 400
Note: 20 ice glasses per day.
- 3) Fruity Beer, Non-alcohol Beer, and Kyushu Beers are available!
The price differs individually

Wine Festival

Until Sunday, 6 November

- 1) Amsterdam Circle
Wine Tasting (all day) Y2,600
Wine Tasting (3 hours) Y2,100
Cheese Tasting (1 hour) Y3,000
- 2) Attraction Town
Mini Wine Tasting (5 wine tastings out of 100 kinds) Y1,000
Glass wine Y 600~
- 3) European Village
Baby bottle wine and canned wine are available

Nagasaki Okunchi Festival

Friday, 7 to Sunday, 9 October

Suwa Shrine, Nagasaki city

Google map coordinates: 32.754340, 129.881963

This is a harvest festival in Nagasaki city that has long history of 374 years. About 40 choes take turn and dedicate dances to the Suwa Shrine. The 7 choes will perform this year. People from Nagasaki are so proud of participating in the event. People who are from Nagasaki city and moved to other places will come home for the event. If you are going to see the event, use either bus or train service. It's very crowded and you can't find any parking lots. Please visit the website to see the video: <http://www.nagasaki-kunchi.com/>

People in Nagasaki city get really excited about the festival. Go and see their excitement.

Note: **Sasebo Okunchi Festival** will be held from **Tuesday, 1 November to Thursday, 3 November**. I'll inform about the festival when it comes closer.

99 Island Tanoshimi (Fun) Month

Until Saturday, 29 October

Pearl Sea Center in Kashimae-cho

Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967

To commemorate the 99 Island Day on September 19th, various events are held for 2 months. Why September 19 is the "99 Island Day?" When we read 9/19 in Japanese, we pronounce Kyu-ju-kyu (9-10-9 respectively). That's why.

Sun Set Cruise

Saturday, 8 October 1705

A music clown (Long-long) Show

Saturday, 15 October 1700

Omura Chamber Orchestra Show

Saturday, 22 October 1650

Araki Maiko, a jazz singer Concert

Saturday, 29 October 1645

Sandy Trip Show

Fare: Y1,400 (10th grader or over), Y700 (4 years old to 9th grader)

Yoga Kirara (Yoga in the aquarium)

Sunday, 9 October 0730-0830

Sunday, 16 October 0730-0830

Fee: Y2,000 (including the entrance fee to the aquarium)

This is a class for ladies over 20 years old. Max number of student for each class is 15.

Please call in Japanese to sign up at 0956-28-4187 by the day before of the event.

99 Island Sketch Contest

Until Sunday, 16 October

Tamakai's 20th Anniversary Special Event

Until Sunday, 16 October

The 99 Island Pearl Sea Center is celebrating the Tamakai's 20th anniversary until October. "Tamakai" are fish that live in ocean of Goto Islands that are big and fat with a big mouth and small, half-opened eyes. The fish live long for sure. He's been in the aquarium for 20 years! To commemorate his 20th anniversary, special lectures about the fish is held on Sunday, 18 September at 1130 and 1430. You can learn more about the fish.

*The 27th Senryu Sake Factory **Open Barrel Festival in Fall***

Saturday, 8 October 0900-1700

Sunday, 9 October 0900-1600

Senryu Sake Factory in Emukae-cho on Route 204

Google map coordinates: 33.310560, 129.626611

The Senryu Sake Factory was once an inn for Matsura clan, local feudal lord. It's been 328 years since the sake mill was established. The sake mill has open barrel festivals in spring and fall. The spring one is held for customers to taste the sake (rice wine) of the year and the latter one is to taste the shochu (distilled alcohol). The buildings of sake factory itself are historical heritage. It's worth looking at them. The acoustic music shows are scheduled on Saturday from 1100 to 1600. If you are planning to taste the spirit of Japan, please find a designated driver or take a MR train to MR Emukae-Shikamachi Train Station. Please call the factory in Japanese at 0956-65-2209 for more information.

Baby Crawling Contest

Saturday, 8 October

(1) 1100, (2) 1400

Eki-machi 1-chome in front of Sasebo Train Station

Google map coordinates: 33.164746, 129.725608

There are 6 races (4 crawlers each race) at 1100 and 1400. No need sign up. Please show up with your baby. Please call the shopping center office in Japanese at 0956-24-6523 for more information.

Ken, this event is for you!

"0 Meter above Sea Level to the Peaks of the Mountains" Hike

Sunday, 9 October

0920

Meet at 99 Island Pearl Sea Center Lawn Park to Kasuga-cho (16 km, 10 miles)

Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967 (99 Island Pearl Sea Center)

Fee: Y100

The participants will walk from the Pearl Sea Center up to Mt. Akasaki, Udogoe, Mt. Yumihari, Mt. Tajima, and Mt. Shokandake by walking the mountain ridges. No need to sign up. Please bring packed lunch, water and rain gears. Call Kawachi-san in Japanese after 1900 at 0956-40-6544 for more information.

Sasebo JAZZ Concert

Sunday, 9 October

1445

Arkas Sasebo Convention Center

Google map coordinates: 33.165973, 129.724255

Admission: Y4,500 (ticket at the door), Y4,000 (advance ticket)

Sasebo is known as town of **Jazz** music. The Jazz concert is held annually and very popular. If you like jazz music, this event is for you. Please call concert committee office in Japanese at 0956-25-1170 for more information.

Kawatana Town Bar

Thursday, 13 to Saturday, 15 October

Sakaemachi, Kawatana-cho

Google map coordinates: 33.068508, 129.863424

This is an opportunity to experience a bar hopping very inexpensively. The participants will get three Y600 tickets in a book for Y1,800. You will choose three bars out of 37. At the same time, the following events will be held in Kawatana-cho.

Y100 Shop Festival

Saturday, 15 October

1100-1400

The stores in Kawatana-cho sell certain goods or service for Y100. It's very unique and fun shopping. Over 70 stores are participating in this festival. You can purchase Hasami Chinaware very reasonably.

Halloween Event

Saturday, 15 October

1400-1630

You can expect both young and old in Halloween costumes. They are participating in the costume contest.

I've got the information through Chaplain's office. Thank you, Mari-san.

Tenkaiho Cosmos Walk

Sunday, 16 October

1000

Meet at Tenkaiho Lookout Viewpoint

Google map coordinates: 33.132516, 129.692711

It's free to participate in the event. Please call the Tenkaiho Fureai Kobo in Japanese at 0956-28-3241 for more information.

0830 Signing in

0930 Opening remarks and warming up exercise

1000 Start walking

The parking lot is not wide enough to accept all the participants. Please use the local transportation.

Sasebo city bus service: it takes about 40 minutes

Sasebo train station bus center (0815) to Tenkaiho (0856)

Tenkaiho (1220, 1352, 1555) to Sasebo train station bus center

Park and ride: Free shuttle bus service is available between 0800 and 1730.

Tukumo-chiku Kominkan (Town hall) to Tenkaiho

Google map coordinates: 33.136775, 129.697986 (Tsukumo-chiku Kominkan)

The 19th YOSAKOI Sasebo Festival

Friday, 21 to Sunday, 23 October

Nakiri Park, Ginza, Sasebo Train Station and more different sites

The largest YOSAKOI dance festival in Kyushu Island! I'll announce you about the event when I get the detailed information. If you can't wait me, please contact the festival committee office in Japanese at 0956-33-4351 for more information.

The 19th Saikai-no-Megumi (Bliss of Western Ocean) Fish Festival

Sunday, 30 October

0830-1400

Sasebo Fish Market in Ainoura-cho

Google map coordinates: 33.186888, 129.652780

This is an annual event and very popular among local people. The mock bidding at the fish market, seafood BBQ, big tuna cleaning demonstration, and much more! Free fish soup is distributed to the visitors.

Flea Markets

Sasebo Morning Market Flea Market

Google map coordinates: 33.164545, 129.720377

Phone #: 0956-22-9890

Saturdays, 8, 15, 22, 19 October

0300-0900

Morning Market across water from the Navy Lodge

The enroll fee to have a space for your store is Y500. You don't have to open your store at 0300. Whenever you're ready to 0900. You find the market the busiest from 0600 to 0730. Please visit the website: <http://sasebo-asaichi.com/> to learn about it in details.

Call in Japanese at 0956-22-9890 for more information.

Daito Shopping Center Flea Market

Address: 14-2 Daito-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-1161

Phone #: 0956-27-2222

Wednesday, 11 October

1000-1500

Wednesday, 26 October

1000-1500

AEON Daito Shopping Center Parking Lot (2nd floor of the three-story high parking next to the main building of the store. Please find Mr. Donuts, leave the main building, and you will find it on your left.)

The bi-monthly flea market is held on the **2nd Wednesday and 4th Wednesday** every month. You can reserve your stall for several hundred yen. Please contact Mr. Yasunaga in Japanese at 090-4572-1899 for more information. It will be held rain or shine.

Top-kun Flea Market

Sunday, 23 October

1000-1600

Sasebo Bicycle Race Arena on Route 11, next to the Sasebo Minato Interchange

Google map coordinates: 33.155455,129.730262

Phone #: 0956-31-4797

About 60 stalls welcome the shoppers! Bring your bike, and you can ride your bicycle on the race track. Please bring your helmet.

EM Design organizes this flea market. If you would like to participate in any of these, please contact EM Design in Japanese at 0956-66-8770 for more information. Please visit the website: <http://emd.syoutengai.com/>

Activities to Attend

Have Fun on the Run “Sasebo Hash House Harriers”

It’s similar to an orienteering club in US. Please visit the website for more information: www.sasebohhh.com or on facebook at “sasebo hash house harriers.”

99 Island Pearl Sea Center (former Saikai Pearl Sea Center) Information

Google map coordinates: 33.161243, 129.678967

Phone #: 0956-28-4187

Parking Lot Fee:

	1-30 minutes	31-60 minutes	For 2 hours	For 3 hours	For 4 hours	For 5 hours	For 6 hours
#1 & #2 Car Parking	0	Y200	Y200	Y200	Y200	Y300	Y400
#3, #4, #5 Car Parking	0	0	0	0	Y200	Y300	Y400
Bus	0	Y600	Y600	Y600	Y600	Y900	Y1,200

Parking fee increases by Y100 for an hour for over 5 hours at any car parking. Bus parking fee increases by Y300 for an hour for over 5 hours. The highest car parking fee is Y600 up to for 12 hours and bus parking fee is Y1,800.

Note: The parking fees remain the same as before the tax increase.

I know this chart may be different from the one you find in the pamphlet you get from the Sasebo city hall. However, this chart is much easier to understand the fee. When I got the chart, I didn't understand it at first. I called the Sasebo city hall and made sure the fee increase along with the length you park.

You may be wondering which ones are #3 to #5 car parking. Because you don't have to pay anything until you park your car over 4 hours. If you know the supermarket, "Marina," you know them. The car parking left to the supermarket is #3, and the one in front of the supermarket is #4. Car parking #5 is on Route 11 next to the 99 Island Hotel. If you are staying there over 5 hours, any car parking fee is the same. The car parking #1 is in front of the aquarium. The car parking #2 is located in the left of #1 close to the beach.

If you park your car for 4 hours or less, park either #3 or #4. If you are planning to stay there longer, any car parking fee is the same. But if you are staying there over 6 hours, spend there all day for Y600 of car parking. You may spend a lot more money for your meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks), though.

It's not only bad news from the Pearl Sea Center. The other day, I found they have new equipments at the aquarium called "AQUA SCOPE." It's a radio-shaped portable mechanical guide that gives you explanation in the aquarium. When you move to the certain spots, it speaks automatically. It's like a friend who knows about the aquarium very well explains when you visit there with him/her. It's a very cool device. I believe your kids would love it. The service is available in different languages (Chinese, English, Korean and Japanese). The service is free of charge. Please ask whichever you like to listen.

99 Island Pearl Sea Resort Aquarium

Y1,440 (high school student or older), Y720 (4 years old to middle school student)

Special Discount for Sasebonians (Sasebo habitants): Y1,020 (high school student and older), Y520 (4 years old to middle school student). Please show your Military ID card

Please call the office at 0956-28-4187 for more information.

Class

Amamoba (Shallow water) Playroom in Umikirarra (Shining Ocean) Aquarium

If not mentioned, the tuition is free. The admission to the aquarium is still required, though.

Saturdays, 8, 15, 22, 29 October

1130-1200, 1430-1500

Origami Aquarium "Jellyfish de lantern"

Sunday, 9 October

1100, 1400

Fee: Y300

Max number of students each class is 10.

Sightseeing Boats

Pearl Queen Cruise

Everyday

1000, 1100, 1300, 1400, 1500

Duration of the tour: 50 minutes

Fare: **Y1,400 (middle school student or older), Y700 (4 years old to middle school student, 9th grade), Free for children 3 years old or under**

Note: children ages under 3 years old are free of charge. Please ask the staff about the admission fee.

Pearl Queen Sun Set Cruise

Saturday, 8 to Monday, 10 October

TBA

Saturday, 15 and Sunday, 16 October

TBA

Saturday, 22 and Sunday, 23 October

TBA

Saturday, 29 and Sunday, 30 October

TBA

Note: The departure time changes depending on the sunset time. Please check the time at the information counter.

99 Island Visitor Center Programs

Programs held at the 99 Island Visitor Center require small amount of fee. Contact the center at 0956-28-7919 or visit website: <http://www.kujukushima-visitorcenter.jp/>

Sea Kayak Experience

Every Sunday and Japanese holidays till October 1100-1530

99 Island Marina

Note: It's not a tour but an experience. The kayaks never go out from the bay.

Fee: Y520 (single), Y1,030 (tandem, two passengers)

After 10 minutes lecture, you will paddle around the kayak in the marina. The class starts every 30 minutes and the duration of the class is 45 minutes. You don't have to sign up ahead of time.

Sailing Boat 100-minute course

Saturday, 8 and Sunday, 9 October

1315

Monday, 10 October

1315

Saturday, 22 and Sunday, 23 October

1315

Fare: Y3,000 (high school student or older), Y1,800 (4 years old to middle school student)

Enjoying sailing and have a tea at one of the uninhabited islands could be a fantastic memory in Sasebo. Please sign up by noon on the day of the trip in Japanese at 0956-28-1999. The max number of passengers is 10.

Sailboat Experience

Everyday

1110, 1210, 1310, 1410, 1510, 1610

Duration of the experience: about 60 minutes

Fee: Y2,050 (adult), Y1,300 (4 years old to middle school student)

The max number of passengers is 10

The participants take a sailboat and cruise in the 99 Islands. You have a chance to navigate the boat.

99 Island Relax Cruise

Everyday

1120, 1220, 1320, 1420, 1520, 1620

Duration of the cruise: about 50 minutes

The max number of passengers is 12

The river boat takes you to where big boats can't go. The boat cruises very smoothly and you are so close to the water. You feel like you are flying over the water.

"Catch a Jellyfish" Relax Cruise

Sunday, 9 October

0915-1300

Fare: Y1,000 (adult), Y800 (4 years old to middle school student)

The relax cruise boat can visit where the bigger boats can't reach. The passengers are allowed to catch some jellyfish for the study of aquarium. Call in Japanese at 0956-28-4187 to sign up.

Saikai National Park Kujukushima Zoological and Botanical Garden Events

The phone number there is 0956-28-0011. Tuition for the following classes is free unless it is specifically noted. You only pay the zoo admission fee.

The whole zoo becomes non-smoking area. Please be careful.

Address: 2171 Funakoshi-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-1231

Phone #: 0956-28-0011

The Penguin Aquarium

The new penguin aquarium has been finished at the 99 Island Zoological and Botanical garden lately. 22 penguins entertain the visitors. The admission fees to the 99 Island Zoological and Botanical Garden have been changed. Please see the chart below. Please show your ID card with your driver's license at the entrance, which proves you live in Sasebo city. You can get the Sasebo citizen discount. The car park at the zoo remains free.

Kind of Ticket	Category	Admission Fee
One Day Ticket	General Ticket / Adult	Y820
	General Ticket / 4 years old to middle school student (up to 7 th grade)	Y210
	Sasebo citizen / Adult	Y620
	Sasebo citizen / elementary school student or middle school student	Y150

	Sasebo citizen / 5 years old or under	Free
Annual Pass	High school student or older	Y2,060
	4 years old to middle school student	Y520

Animal Photos that Zookeepers Took!

Please visit the facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/sasebo.morikirara>

The photos that only zookeepers could have taken are exhibited on the facebook.

Note: The volunteer activity “SAZANBOS” has been in hiatus, meaning they are not doing the volunteer activities now. I checked it on Friday, 24 June 2016. It’ll be announced in monthly Sasebo Newsletter when they restart the activities.

Autumn Rose Festival 2016

Saturday, 15 October to Sunday, 6 November

As usual a small paper cup of rose tea is served to the visitors. There are classical live music concerts, craft making class, flower arrangement class and raffle drawings. The climate should be cooled off by then. You’ll enjoy the smell of roses along with herbal tea and some music.

“Mouncing-mouncing” Photo Exhibition

Until Sunday, 27 November

How do the animals eat food? The zookeepers will explain how they eat food and why they do.

The Original Post Cards and Magnets are for Sale

Now the amazing photos of zoo animals and plants are printed on magnets and post cards. Original magnets are 14 different pieces (Y394 each), and post cards are 20 different pieces (Y108 each).

Note: The nursing room is available in the zoo. The facility is for parents with babies. The facility has a nursing room to change diapers and feed babies. Please refrain from bringing your pets to the zoo.

Mt. Eboshi Sports Village Information

Address: 128 Eboshi-cho, Sasebo, Nagasaki 857-0001

Phone #: 0956-24-6669

“Dog Run” Park has been completed!

It’ opens now at Mt. Eboshi Sports Village

Wednesdays, Saturdays, Saturdays, Sundays and Japanese Holidays.

Admission: Y300 per dog, Annual membership: Y3,000 per dog

Do you know what we mean when we say “Dog Run”? Now, I know it’s been very difficult for you to find parks to walk or run your pet dogs freely in Sasebo. This facility is only for dogs but they must be pre-registered at the park office. The registration fee is Y500. The owner of dogs should be at least 18 years. Your dog’s shot records and owner’s ID card is required when you register your dog(s). Please call Sasebo City Hall Park Maintenance Office at 0956-24-1111 for more information.

Youth Science Museum

Address: 12-31 Hotate-cho, Sasebo-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture 857-0031

Phone #: 0956-23-1517

Wednesday to Sunday and Monday 0900-1700

Closed on Tuesday and Japanese holidays. Phone number: 0956-23-1517

Sasebo Planetarium was closed and newly the Youth Science Museum opened in Hotate-cho. Visit there once. It’s a new facility with decent and free parking lot.

Planetarium

Max number of attendees is 68. The duration of the show is 45 minutes.

Admission: **Y310 (adult), Y150 (4 years old to middle school student)**

Closed on Tuesdays and Japanese holidays.

	1000	1100	1300	1400	1500	1600
Weekday except Tuesday	Educational Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	One Piece Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	The Stars in Season
Saturday	Educational Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	One Piece Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	The Stars in Season
Sunday	One Piece Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	One Piece Show	Yokai (hobgoblin) Show	The Stars in Season

Sasebo Local Library

Google map coordinates: 33.174613, 129.721180

Phone #: 0956-22-5618

Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 1000-1800

Thursday and Friday 1000-2000

Closed on Mondays and Japanese holidays. Contact the library at 0956-22-5618 for more information. The local library opens until **2000** on Thursdays and Fridays until December.

The History of Sasebo Data Base Exhibition

Whenever the library is open 1000-1755

Please come to the local history section on the 2nd floor. You can observe the historical information.

CD Check Outs

Commencing February this year, you can borrow 6 CDs instead of 3 CDs.

Huis Ten Bosch Events

I try my best to get correct and current information of the theme park but flyers I get occasionally from Huis Ten Bosch confuse me. I think I'm very patient to get the information of events usually. I called the information center but I'm afraid the staff works there do not answer my questions promptly. I have to say the following information is the one **to my best knowledge**. They can be reached at 0570-064-110. However, you can't dial the number from the base phones. I used my cell phone to call and only the recording guidance in Japanese answered. I had an impression that they don't want to be reached. It seems you pay how much ever you are told at the gate of Huis Ten Bosch and enjoy whatever available on that day. The following number in Fukuoka is better to get hold of them: 092-411-0800. Or visit their web site:

www.huistenbosch.co.jp

Google map coordinates: 33.086328, 129.787208

Address: 1-1 Huis Ten Bosch-cho, Sasebo, Nagasaki Prefecture 859-3292

Phone #: 0570-064-110

Despite their unfriendly attitude, Huis Ten Bosch is well-known all through Japan and pays taxes to Sasebo city. They hire local people, too. Let's support the theme park.

Below is the admission chart and fee for the New Huis Ten Bosch. You can bring your pet with you. Of course it's not free. You pay Y500 per pet.

ADMISSION FEE

	Adult (18 years old or older)	High School (junior or high school student)	Child (4 years old to elementary school student)	Senior (60 years old or older)	Note
One Day Passport	Y6,700	Y5,700	Y4,300	Y6,200	Admission to the park and the pay facilities
Enjoy Huis Ten Bosch Ticket	Y4,700	Y3,700	Y2,400	Y4,700	Admission to the park, Palace Huis Ten Bosch, Canal cruiser, and Muse Hall
Stroll Ticket (all day)	Y4,200	Y3,200	Y1,900	Y4,200	Admission to the park
Night of Light Stroll	Y3,800	Y2,800	Y1,800	Y3,700	Admission to the park

Ticket (1800-)					
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Please call the information center at 0570-064-110 using your cell phone. The base phones don't work to call the number.

Robot Kingdom Grand Opening!

Huis Ten Bosch

Do you like Robot Animes such as "Gundam?" Please do not miss this chance. There will be "Gundam Show," "Battle King Show" and other robot shows. You can enjoy dining at the "Hen-na Restaurant." A robot chef prepares your dish. I'm going to check the kingdom this weekend.

White Ferris Wheel!

Huis Ten Bosch

Ticket to ride: Y700

New "**White Ferris Wheel**" is now in service. The tickets are Y700 for 11-minute ride. 1% of ticket sales go to the charity fund for the Northern Japan Earthquakes and Tsunami Victims. Please see Huis Ten Bosch information section. There are a lot of events scheduled. Call Huis Ten Bosch at 0570-064-110 for more information.

The Japan First English-speaking Hotel Open

Watermark Hotel Nagasaki, Huis Ten Bosch

The manager is Australian. All the clerks speak in English. The hotel is celebrating its 5th anniversary now. You would like to stay in this hotel? Please contact the hotel at 0956-27-0785 to make a reservation.

Huis Ten Bosch Wander Vehicle "Duck Tour"

Everyday, 1000, 1100, 1200, 1400, 1500, 1600

Fee: Y2,500 (adult), Y1,800 (3 to elementary school student), Y500 (2 years old and under)

Have you seen the amphibious bus at the Huis Ten Bosch yet? When I saw it, it was crossing the street. Yes, it looks like a boat but yet can drive on the road! The bus drives on the road for 25 minutes and ducks in the water for 20 minutes. You don't have to sign up, come to the Huis Ten Bosch Entrance 15 minutes prior to the tour that you wish to take. I'm thinking to take my brother and his family to ride on this bus. Please call HTB Tourism Office at 0956-27-0360 for more information.

Adventure Park

A little birdie told me that the **Adventure Park** is open at the Huis Ten Bosch. The park opened March 3rd. There are two facilities in the park; "Tenku-no-shiro (Castle in the Sky)" and "Shooting Star (Zip-line)."

The 5-story high mega maze, "The Maze" opened at the Adventure Park.

“Shooting Star (Zip-line)” consists of a pulley suspended on a cable mounted on an incline. It is designed to enable a user propelled by holding on or attaching to the freely moving pulley. One at the park goes over the channel and it is 300 meters (1000 feet) long.

“Tenku-no-shiro (Castle in the Sky)” is a big jungle gym that reminds you a boot camp. The highest point of the jungle gym is 9 meters from the ground (30 feet high).

Please call Camp Ten Bosch Administrative Office at 0956-27-0284 for detailed information. If you do not speak Japanese, please ask any Japanese friends to help you. Why don't you go there with them? That should be fun!

FFSC Classes

Hario Village Japanese Class Fridays, **7**, 21, 28 October 1030-1130

Hario Community & Education Center Classroom

https://twms.navy.mil/selfservice/online_training/modules/iaa_cyber3/launchPage.htm?cid=617891&cur=1&tot=0&module=iaa_cyber3/launchPage.htm&audio=no&guid=a24c1e26-11aa-4368-957e-bdae0448834e

English as a Second Language Tuesdays, **11**, 18, 25 October 1000-1100

FFSC Conference Room

Tuition: Free

Japanese Phrase Class Tuesdays, **11**, 18, 25 October 1130-1230

Tuition: Free

No need to sign up. You don't have to complete the course. Please stop by and learn Japanese phrases.